

**TOWN OF WEBSTER**  
***Office of Selectmen***  
**945 Battle Street/Rte. 127**  
**Webster, NH 03303**

Webster Board of Selectmen's Meeting – November 2, 2009

7:00 P.M. Present: Chairman Thomas Mullins, David Klumb and Selectman George Hashem.

The Board signed the payroll and check manifests.

Selectman Klumb made a motion to accept the regular Selectmen's minutes of 10/19/09 as written; seconded by Selectman Hashem and approved. Selectman Klumb made a motion to unseal the non-public minutes of 10/19/09; seconded by Selectman Hashem and approved. Selectman Klumb made a motion to accept the non-public minutes of 10/19/09 as written; seconded by Selectman Hashem and approved. After further consideration Selectman Klumb made a motion to retract the motion to unseal the non-public minutes of 10/19/09; seconded by Selectman Hashem and approved. The minutes were then sealed. After speaking with Local Government Center legal counsel, Administrative Assistant Judith Jones advised that when the Board attends a meeting in another location, such as in Hopkinton, the Board may accept the minutes of that Board as their meeting minutes as long as the Board agrees that the minutes accurately depict the discussion. Therefore, the Board will review Hopkinton's Meeting Minutes of 10/26/09 at the next meeting and if approved, will become the Board's minutes of that meeting.

The Board signed the following for Mrs. Jones:

- A vacation leave slip for Mrs. Jones;
- The 2009 DRA Parcel Count request;
- A Land Use Change Tax for David Witham & Georgette Gagne – Map 8-36-1;
- The LUCT Tax Collector's warrant;
- The Tax Collector's Warrant – Property Tax Levy for the collection of the second portion of the 2009 taxes; and
- An abatement for the Estate of Benjamin Rockefeller – Map 7-57.

Chairman Mullins advised that the 2009 Tax Rate is at \$17.42 per thousand of assessed valuation, down by \$1.29 over 2008. The Pillsbury Lake portion is \$2.52 resulting in a total of \$19.94 per thousand in the District.

Financial Administrator Wendy Pinkham had e-mailed the Board that portion of the 2010 proposed budget that was ready for review later this evening.

Lieutenant Phil Mitchell inquired about the need for a Purchase Order for a 6-bank battery charger with the funds to come from the drug forfeiture account held by the Treasurer. Treasurer Mary Welch requested that the Police Department put the information in writing, just to have a paper trail, and have it initialed by Mrs. Pinkham.

7:14 P.M. Selectman Hashem made a motion to go into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a) to discuss personnel issues with Don Gross; seconded by Selectman Klumb. Roll call: Chairman Mullins – yes; Selectman Klumb – yes and Selectman Hashem – yes. Mrs. Jones was requested to attend.

7:45 P.M. Chairman Mullins reconvened the meeting advising that the Board discussed various issues with Mr. Gross related to the progress related to personnel and voted to seal the minutes.

Fire Chief Adam Pouliot requested funds in the amount of \$4,500 to come from the Medical Equipment Capital Reserve for the purchase of a used defibrillator from the Town of Hopkinton. Selectman Klumb made a motion to approve the above request; seconded by Selectman Hashem and approved. Selectman Klumb made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$4,500 from the Medical Equipment Capital Reserve for the above purchase; seconded by

Selectman Hashem and approved by the Board and the Fire Chief. Chief Pouliot advised that he would use money from any trade-in value, which would first come into the General Fund, to later purchase a service contract.

Chairman Mullins announced that the Board is in receipt of a letter of resignation from Fire Chief Pouliot stating personal reasons, to be effective December 31, 2009. Chief Pouliot advised that changes in his life, his full-time job, part-time job and Town obligations led to his decision, advising that he will still remain active on the Department.

Resident Roy Fanjoy first expressed his thanks to Lt. Mitchell for responding to a call this morning. He then inquired as to any reimbursement that the Town might seek regarding the removal of a large pine tree on Clothespin Bridge Road. Mr. Fanjoy had requested several times that the public utilities remove this tree, but was advised that they would deal with the problem after an incident. Road Agent Emmett Bean had a purchase order signed earlier to Old Yankee Tree Service for this purpose. Mr. Fanjoy thanked Mr. Bean for having the tree removed. He then recommended that the Town seek reimbursement from the utility company involved, fruitless as it may be, as he had no success in having it removed by them. Lt. Mitchell advised that when he is called out for wires down, he sends a bill for the detail work and gets reimbursed immediately. It was decided that the office will seek any reimbursement that may be available.

Selectman Klumb, noting that as there had been a history of errors on the payroll check stubs regarding accumulated sick and annual leave, recommended that it be removed since it is not a requirement, to which the Board agreed. The accrued time will still be tracked appropriately.

When questioned about a report from Mr. Gross, Chairman Mullins advised that this would be addressed later.

The Board reviewed and discussed the following 2010 proposed budget requests with no final decisions being made:

- Executive;
- Election, Registration & Vital Statistics;
- Financial Administration;
- Revaluation of Property;
- Planning & Zoning;
- Cemeteries;
- Health;
- Parks & Recreation; and
- Webster Free Public Library

The Board reviewed and discussed the Capital Reserves, but no decisions were made as not all the Department Heads have made their 2010 budget requests.

Chairman Mullins made a motion to appoint John Nelson to replace Alan Hofmann, whose term expires in 2012, as a Member of the Planning Board; seconded by Selectman Klumb and approved.

8:35 P.M. Selectmen Klumb made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Selectman Hashem and approved.

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Thomas S. Mullins-Chairman  
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David E. Klumb

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George K. Hashem